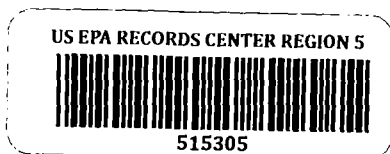




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Memorandum

SUBJECT: Carcinogenic Risk of Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons

FROM: Lamar Miller, Acting Director, Technical Division
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TO: Robert McGaughy, Acting Director
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Office of Health and Environmental Assessment

At several of the sites we are currently investigating, we have detected a variety of polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs). Currently, carcinogenic risk numbers are only available for benzo(a) pyrene; however, I have been informed that CAG is in the process of evaluating several other PAHs. Since we would like to base our actions at these sites on the most complete information available, I would appreciate receiving risk assessment numbers for these PAHs as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or Resha Putzrath.

cc: Resha Putzrath
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